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Agri. Society Had Good Year

Last Wednesday evening the annual meeting of the Raymond Agricultural Society was held and the financial report of the secretary, S. Farham Kimball, presented. The election of officers was held, resulting in the return of President James E. Meeks and all of the other officers who acted last year.

The address of the president was a very optimistic one. The past year had been successful. The fall fair had stamped in particular, were undoubtedly the two best events of their kind held in Southern Alberta during the past season. The directors had received loyal support, and Mr. Meeks hoped this friendly feeling would prevail during the coming season.

The secretary-treasurer's report was highly gratifying. There was a cash balance in the bank of \$114 after paying all prices, expenses, etc. The old debt was entirely wiped out. Buildings had been erected to the value of \$400 and these will remain permanently as the fair and stampede will likely become yearly events. Some surprise was expressed at the heavy gate receipts over those of last year. This year the gate receipts amounted to \$1171.00 as against \$907.15 in 1915. These figures will give some idea of the splendid attendance at last fall's celebration. The Society is in first-class shape and is looking forward to another year of big, progressive things.

Read the Ads

PLAN TO IMPROVE TOWN'S SOCIAL LIFE

An important meeting of citizens was held in the town hall last Saturday evening with Mayor O'Brien in the chair. There were present about fourteen of the leading citizens of the town, and questions of imperative moment to the social life of the community was threshed out at great length.

The paramount motive in view, as expressed by the various speakers, was to raise the social standard in the town especially as it affects the boys and young men. It was unanimously agreed that something was badly needed to replace the loafing places now found on Broadway. These places were manning the social and religious life of the community to a tremendous extent, and would continue to draw the boys until something more attractive was furnished.

A gymnasium with a reading room in connection, was the scheme specially favored. The boys would first be drawn into the building by the light games and sports, and later would incline to the more serious things of life. It was agreed that an institution of this kind, centrally located and housed in a good attractive building, would solve most of the problems now causing the anxiety of parents and social leaders. It would lend an uplifting moral tone to the whole town, and would attract many people as a natural consequence.

If any wish to buy hats at half price, let them do so during the coming week. After that, the store closes for the season.

Raymond Millinery.

Institute Holds Annual Meeting

(Contributed)

At the Women's Institute held Wednesday afternoon the annual business of reorganization was attended to. The retiring president, Mrs. Rouse, was in the chair.

After a vocal solo by Miss Valeria Nalder, a complete report was read by the secretary, showing that the Society had been most zealous in the raising of funds and generous in its disbursements for charity, Red Cross and patriotic purposes.

The meeting was then open to the election of officers. Mrs. Rouse firmly refusing to act any longer, Mrs. Kirkham nominated Mrs. W. Lamb for president, seconded by Mrs. Gordon and carried. The following officers were then elected:

1st Vice-Pres. Mrs. Skounon.
2nd " Miss V. Nalder.
Secretary, Miss J. Nilsson.
Directors, Mesdames Paris and Lavern Nilsson.

The meeting closed after a talk by Miss Romney on Suggestions Relative to the High Cost of Living, and a hearty vote of thanks had been tendered the retiring board. The new president, Mrs. Lamb, is well-known for her energy ability and keen interest in public affairs, and it is anticipated that the Raymond Women's Institute will be as ever a power for good, under her leadership.

Kirkham and Blackmore Win

The election for school trustees passed off quietly Monday. There was a deplorably light vote cast, only sixty-one. A. W. Kirkham, the old member of the board, was returned by a vote of 42, and John H. Blackmore second with 39 votes. Rolfe and Allred, the two defeated candidates, polled 28 and 19 votes respectively.

Mr. Kirkham served on the school board last year with marked success. He was always alert to the needs and requirements of the school. Mr. Blackmore is making his initial appearance into civic life. He is a clever, enthusiastic young man, a graduate in arts from Alberta university and is a school teacher by profession. He should prove a valuable asset to the board.

Tuesday evening C. Thompson, proprietor of the pool hall, was brought up for trial before Magistrate O'Brien on a charge of allowing gambling in his licensed place of business. Mr. Thompson asked for a postponement until he could secure counsel. This was granted and the case will be tried Monday evening.

BORN—To the wife of Jesse Gibb, Raymond, a boy.

Excellent progress is being made on the new elevator. A large gang of carpenters are busy and it is expected that the elevator will be ready for business in about two weeks.

L. M. Johnson was in Magrath last week installing a new set of scales in the Ellison elevator there.

Leroy Anderson and Percy Christensen leave immediately after Christmas for Salt Lake where they will be set apart for missions to the Eastern and Northern States respectively.

Octave Ursenbach who has recently returned from a mission to the Northern States, spent the week-end in Raymond. He was the speaker at the afternoon service in the second ward Sunday. He returned Monday morning to Lethbridge where his parents reside.

YNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS

THE solehead of a family, or any male over 18 years old may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-agency) on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section along side his homestead. Price \$5.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 50 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

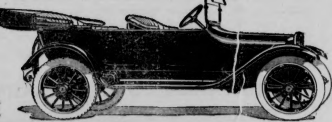
A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price 5.00 per acre. Duties. Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth \$200.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, scrubby or steep land. Livestock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

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With an increased staff hundreds of holiday shoppers are served every day. It looks like a record volume of business for Grant and Davies this year.

The Trading company is also busy. Their toys, gifts and Xmas requisites are all out and going fast. Some disappointment is felt at not being able to merchandise their new building but their goods are displayed advantageously in their present quarters.

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Mrs. Ackroyd spent a few days in Lethbridge this week visiting with her daughter, Mrs. James Nelson.

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Thos. Fossum, pianist, and Mrs. Fossum, mezzo-soprano, both artists of exceptional merit, will give a recital at Magrath on Jan. 3rd and 4th at 8:00 p.m.

Bennion Is Elected

In the latest election ever held in Magrath, Ernest Bennion was elected mayor for the next two years last Monday. The voting was held in the evening and the candidates running for the office were: Ernest Bennion, Ed. Hodge, and J. H. Hodge. Bennion received 29 votes, Hodge 26, and Hodge 32.

The old running race was also close, one pleasing feature was the election of Ex-Mayor Hodge by 79 votes. He headed the poll, the first choice being cleared, Harold C. Wood came next with 69 votes and Ald. E. Pingree Tanner, third by 61 votes. The two defeated candidates, Joseph Evans and Henry Hillier, received 55 and 47 votes respectively. The race was exciting and the interest keen.

The new mayor has a long and creditable career at his back and should make good in the chief magistracy's chair. He is a young man, progressive and level-headed. He is a successful farmer, a prominent member of the "Mormon" church and a Conservative in politics. He takes a live interest in all patriotic movements, and will do honor to the magistracy.

Mr. Griffith, representing the "Northern Engineering and Electric Company" of Calgary, will be in this evening to confer with the joint committee appointed to work out the electric light proposal. There is nothing further to announce this week except that Mr. MacKenzie, electrician of Lethbridge, may submit an offer to the committee.

The marriage was solemnized in St. Augustine's Church, Lethbridge, this week. Canon Murray Wright officiating. Miss Elizabeth West, niece of Mrs. Lloyd, and Miss Arnold of the R.N.W.M.P. The bride was given away by Mr. Lloyd. Only immediate relatives witnessed the ceremony. Both the bride and groom are well-known in Magrath.

The Utah excursion commences Monday next and a large number of Magrath people contemplate taking advantage of the cheap fares. The tickets are only good this year until Jan. 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Tomer brought their son, Floyd, home from the Galt hospital Friday. He was there for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Passey were visitors to Lethbridge Friday.

George Hillier is in Lethbridge attending the Utah Agricultural College.

Hugh Grant, of Grant and Davies, was a business visitor to Raymond Wednesday.

The Canadian Operatic Society presented "The King of Israel," in a crowded house last night. The production was first-class in every respect and reflected much credit on the performers.

Malvin Gaffney, manager of the new theatre, is not quite certain but he thinks it may be ready for opening Jan. 1. He is after a big attraction for the opening night. Watch for announcements in this paper.

Manager Atkinson, of the Royal Bank, was a business visitor to Lethbridge Thursday.

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F. C. STEELE, Editor

The sugar factory has been sold. It will be moved to Cache valley, Utah. In taking this step the Knight Sugar company admits a colossal failure in their sugar beet enterprise in Southern Alberta. The soil and climate was not to blame. Beets with the highest sugar content on record were grown right here in Raymond. The responsibility for its failure rests with both the company and the farmers. They were always at "loggerheads". The independent, "we can do it ourselves" attitude of the company was perhaps the big cause of the failure. The farmers quit the business, and the company planted several thousand acres. Then labor became a problem, interest began to lag and failure resulted.

The factory will be moved. The hope of the industry in any country is a small field to each family, and intense cultivation. Then labor is not a problem as mere boys can assist in the work, receiving lessons in thrift in the very best kind. The dream of a dozen prosperous families where one is today, now seems blasted. The hope of a refuge for the immigrant from stricken Europe, who will seek homes here after the war, or of a permanent, remunerative industry for our partially disabled soldiers, seems far removed.

But we do not believe that the industry is dead in this country. In time, as our population increases the industry may be revived as an economic necessity. The wheat crop may be wiped out in a very few minutes, live stock may perish in a single blizzard, but the beet crop is reasonably certain. That there was an organized effort to "get" the beet industry, now seems clear. And the "getting" seems to have at last been realized.

One week from Christmas. Have you done your shopping yet?

Raymond soldiers are now in the trenches. The war will strike home from now on.

A. W. Kirkham and John H. Blackmore were elected to the school board. Congratulations. No doubt they will sustain the confidence placed in them by the people.

F. B. Rolfsen, whom we considered deserving of election, was defeated at the polls. Mr. Rolfsen's defeat, however, does not affect the soundness of our contention in the least. There is a paucity in the municipal life of most of our Alberta towns that is actually serious. The small vote cast shows the public pulse to be away below normal. Men, who are willing to shoulder public work without remuneration, are scarce. Thus when a man untaritably comes forward, willing and ready and qualified to serve,

such a man is needed in our public life.

Last Tuesday the Lethbridge Herald commenced its tenth year as a daily. The Herald has made good. There is no better edited, "made-up", and printed paper in the province. As the logical daily for Southern Alberta, the Herald fills that need admirably. The writer used to read the Herald when it was a weekly. He was then making "pi" and washing rollers—ye gods!—for Tommy Green. The Herald was a good weekly and expanded into a good daily. It made an heroic fight in the lean years and today is enjoying a well-deserved prosperity.

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